year's Christmas playthings. An amusing toy consists of a figure which stands on a square box, an inch or two high, to which an india mibber tube with a hollow ball at the end of the same material is attached. A slight pressure on the ball will cause the figure to perform various athletic feats. While the clockwork toys mentioned are sold at comparatively high prices, the pneumafic tabe performer can be had for less than a dollar in many stores. Another cheap and very amusing toy is the monkey which wags its head gravely while smoking a cigarette. The smoke is produced by a lighted pastille in the inside of the monkey. The lowing antleh cow will make many a future housewife happy. This interesting creature, whose native place is Germany, can be milked in the most orthodox style, the only preparation necessary being the introduction of a little milk into a cleverly concealed aperture in its back. A slight pulling of the udder will transfer the liquid to the pail below. Besides the toys of a novel design and make, the time-honored Punch and Judy. Jack-in-the-box, picture puzzles, etc., still find an extensive sale, and there seems little prospect of their falling into disfavor. Of the instructive and useful playthings, the so-called "electric power motor," a German' production, deserves especial mention. This toy consists of a nickel platter with a fountain spont in the middle, a revolving wheel, and an electric battery. The directions for preparing the battery and starting the apparatus are so clear that any child over twelve can easily follow them, and in less than a quarter of an nour a pretty jet of water a foot or two high will play, to the juvenile manipulator's delight. Next to the electric fountain, the boys Pinuting press, ranging in price from \$1.50 to \$15 and \$25, is most in tavor, although neither books, pamphlets, nor even circulars, but only cards, can be printed with it. Vessels with their entire rigging and crew take up a great portion of the space in show windows, and are not the least eagerly de

THE STRANGE BOILER EXPLOSION.

Examining Engineer Horton, who has been detailed to investicate the strange boiler explosion in West Twenty-sixth-st., reported vesterday to Sergeant Lefterts, of the Sanitary Police, that there were no indications of the water having been low in the boiler, and that the circumstances favor the conclusion that some person familiar with the premises made his way into the building, started a fire under the boiler, tastened the salety-valve, and blew the boiler up. The matter is now in the hands of the police, who are puzzled by the apparent absence of a motive for such an act. The explosion is the first that has occurred in this city (not including the rivers) in six years. During the year now nearly ended the police detailed under Sergeant Lefterts for that purpose have examined 3,203 steam boilers in the city, tested 2,657, examined 3,571 engineers, and granted certificates to 3,274. THE STRANGE BOILER EXPLOSION.

VERDICT OF A NON-COMMITTAL JURY. VERDICT OF A NON-COMMITTAL JURY.

Coroner Knox held the inquest, yesterday, in the case of Edward Donohue, a hackman, who was found dead last week in the rest yard of No. 224 West Twenty-seventh-st., two doors from the house where he had boarded until two days before his death. He had apparently fallen while endeavoring to climb over a fence, but his injuries were so severe as to arouse the suspicion that he had been murdered and thrown into the yard afterward. The police have been unable to clear up the mystery surrounding the case, and the jury yesterday could not agree. At last, however, they deeded that Donohue came to his death by a fracture of the skull "received in some manner unknown."

SEEKING TO ABATE A NUISANCE.

Controller Campbell yesteday reported to the Sinking Fund Commissioners that the block belonging to the city lying between Sixty-seventh and Sixty-eighth-sts. and Third and Lexington-aves, is in a shocking condition, and detrimental to health and life because of the squaid shantes which cover it and their surroundings. The Health Board of substed. The Sinking Fund Commissioners some time ago declared it a muisance which should be abated. The Sinking Fund Commissioners some time ago appropriated a part of the block to the use of the Board of Education as a site for a school house. One of the lots in Sixty-seventh-st, is appropriated to the use of the Fire Department. SEEKING TO ABATE A NUISANCE.

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hat on, as he took a stolen map at one end of the room. Charles Westfield, age therty, of No. 125 Mouroe-st, undertook to send a rife ball through Warganz's hat without touching a hair of his head. He area, and at the same instant Warganz nodded his head in sleep. His body shook, and the blood streamed from a wound over his right ear. His head was bandaged, and Officer McQuade, of the Fourth Precinct, who was called in, took Westfield into custedy. Warganz was removed to the Chamber Street Hospital, where the medical certificate states to is in a very critical condition.

Westfield was arraigned before Justice Patterson yesterday, at the Tombs Police Court, and a charge of telopious assault was preferred against him by Walter Fay, of No. 18 Taimanest, Brooklyn. A low felt hat that had been worn by Warganz was produced; it was riddled with builet holes. The appearance of the hat showed that Warganz must have had many hairbreadth escapes. When Justice Patterson informed Westfield that he would be obliged to commit him to await the result of the injuries indicted on Warganz, one of his admirers came forward and offered to become the substitute of the marksman in prison. The proposal was laughed at by Justice Patterson.

IN HONOR OF THE PILGRIM FATHERS.

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The New-England Society in the City of Brooklyn, which was incorporated February 26, 1880, will have its first annual dinner to-night, at the Brooklyn Academy of Music, in commemoration of the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers on Plymouth Rock. Many well-known residents of Brooklyn are members of the society. As this is its first annual dinner it is intended to make the occasion noteworthy. It is expected that 265 persons will sit down to dinner. Among those who have promised to be present are the following: President Hayes, General Grant, General Sherman, Secretary Evarts, the Kev. Henry Ward Beecher, Joseph H. Choate, the Rev. Edward Everett Hale, President Chadbourne, of Williams College, President Porter, of Yale College, Stewart L. Woodford, General H. W. Slocum, A. A. Low, James C. Carter, president of the New-England Society of New-York, ex-Judge J. M. Van Cott, Mayor Howell, of Brooklyn, and Chauncey M. Depew.

The gnests will assemble at 6 p. m. in the gallery of the Art Building adjoining the Academy, and proceed to the assembly-rooms in the latter building, with which the Art Building is connected. After the dinner it is expected that addresses will be made by all the gentlemen mentioned with the exception of Mayor Howell and General Slocum.

In selecting December 21 as the proper day to celebrate, this society claims to be more orthodox than the New-York Society, which celebrates December 22. It contends that the former day is the true date of the landing of the Pilgrims, and that this was maintained by Daniel Webster in one of his addresses to the old society.

Many of the more promiser guests will also participate in the New-York Society's celebration to-morrow night at the Metropolitan Music Hall. IN HONOR OF THE PILGRIM FATHERS.

GUILTY OF KILLING HIS SHIPMATE. Adolphus Maine, a colored sailor, was tried in the crimmal branch of the United States Circuit Court, before Judge Benedict, on an indictment charging him with the murder of John Smith, boatswain of the American bark Anna Camp, October 2, on the high seas. The killing was done with a belaying pin, but it was in a scuille which it was claimed by the defence was begun by Smith. The jury returned a verdict of manslaughter, but added a recommendation to mercy. The prisoner was remanded for sentence.

REPORTED DIFFICULTIES UNFOUNDED. REPORTED DIFFICULITES UNFOUNDED.

It was reported yesterday that, owing to certain difficulties in arranging a lease of the ground, and objections on the part of the adjoining neighbors, Mr. Wallack would be unable to obtain the proposed site for his new theatre at Broadway and Thirtieth-st. A TRIBUNE reporter was told yesterday by Arthur Wailack that he had not before heard of any difficulties. The arrangements were going forward in a satisfactory manner, and the ground would without doubt be broken for the new theatre at the time expected, May 1.

for an engine house, while two lots at Third-ave, and Sixty-eighth-st, are leased for a short period. The oher lots on this block were offered for sale at public auction in the spring of 1879, but were withdrawn because the bids were not satisfactory. The squatters have un authority whatever to occupy the land. The Corporation Counsel was requested by the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund to cooperate with the Board of Health in abating the nuisance.

Alderman McClave appeared before the Board and protested against the policy of the Dock Commissioners in giving away the North River front of the city between Eighteenth and Thirty-fonrth-sts, for the use of foreign steamers, while domestic commerce was driven elsewhere.

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REGULAR REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS.

THE SENATE AGREES TO ADJOURN OVER THE HOLL
MANNEY HOUSE STAIRS—NEW MONEY DUE FROM TWENTY-RIGHT STATES—NEW West Fifty-fourth-st. George MacCulloch Miller, the president of the association, occurring the chart of the Senate to-day a communication from the secretary of War was submitted, transmitting a report of the Yorktown Centennial Commission; glso from the same officer, copies of carrespondence between merce was driven elsewhere.

EMULATING WILLIAM TELL.

There is a shoeting-gallery and billiard-room under Leggett's Hotel, in the basement of No. 48 Continues. It appears that the achievement of William Tell, in shooting at the apple on the head of his son, is successfully initiated at long range in this gallery, and the contestants even apprect oexect it by substituting small turnips and corks of bullet at a distance of twenty yards. However, this dangerous pastine was practised once too often at 3 o'clock yesterday morning. At that time Gustave Wargan z, a bartender, was nodding with his hat on, as he took a stolen map at one end of the room. Charles Westfield, age thirty, of No. 125 Monroe-st., nadertook to send a rife ball, through wheat, and \$70,000 in corn.

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Kleinwort, Cohen & Co., through their New-Daniels of the Supreme Court for \$40.6 s2 34. The affidavits allege that the plaintiffs issued a letter of credit. August 4, to Bowie Dash & Co. in favor of Phipps Brothers & Co., of Rio Janeiro, for \$15,000 against shipments of merchandise to the extent of the bona fide invoice cost, in consideration of which Bowie Dash & Co. delivered to the plaintiffs a credit receipt. Paipps Brothers & Co. drew their draft for \$73,485 on the plaintiffs, which was duly accepted and becomes due January 3, 1881; the amount was for the invoiced value who executed a trust receipt for it. After the latter's failure a demand was made upon toem for the coffee or the amount to the plaintiffs; there were 20 bags of skimmings left, worth \$200, which they turned over to the plaintiffs. Bowie Dash & Co. also gave the plain-tiffs, October 21, as additional security, 3,000 mats of Java coffee, of which the plaintiffs nave 2,548 mass still

Java coffee, of which the plaintiffs have 2.548 mats still in their possession, valued at \$23,632 07, which they are willing to credit the defendants. The amount now due Kielnwort, Cohen & Co. over and above all counterclaims is \$49,602 34.

Theodore E. Alico, senior partner of Allen & Co., wholesaid dealers in tobacco and cigars, at Chambers and Green wich sits, who failed two weeks and, with liabilities of over \$116,000, has been arrested by the Sheriff on a warrant issued by a Judge of the Souerior Court in a civil suit brought by one of his creditors, D. C. Mayo, as agent of the Adams Tobacco Company, of Montreal. Bail was fixed at \$4,000, which was furnished. It is alleted in the affidavit that the plain iffs soid 250 boxes of tobacco to Alien & Co. for \$3,293, which has never been prid.

The creditors of Brown & Brother, wholesale dealers in dry goods at Vicksburg, Miss., recently held a meeting at the St. Nicholas Hotel. A statement was submitted from the firm showing habilities of \$94,831 46, of which \$30,369 32 are open accounts, and \$64,471 14 bills payable. The nominal assets are \$132,009 40. The creditors decided upon the appointment of a committee composed of M. F. Wood, L. Cohen and J. Leaman to investigate and report a basis for a set liement.

THE LAST OF A SAVINGS BANK.

In the office of David O. Bradley, at No. 71 Broadway, hangs a small unframed portrait of Admiral Farragut. Near this portrait are stored a few old bank ledgers. This picture and these books are all that remain of the assets of the Mutual Benefit Savings Bank, formerly in *The Staats Zeitung* building, for which a receiver was appointed December 3, 1875. This bank then had liabilities amounting to \$440,000, which was about \$23,000 in excess of its estimated assets.
W. J. Aldrich was the first receiver appointed. He died, however, before the affairs of the bank were settled, and Mr. Bradley was chosen as his successor November 21, 1878. Mr. Bradley's work has now been practically completed, and a final dividend is being paid to the depositors. Mr. Bradley said yesterday to a Tribune reporter: "I think that the affairs of the bank have been

poster: "I think that the affairs of the bank have been settled as satisfactorily as could have been expected. The assets of the bank were greatly overestimated. In Mr. Aidnehr's receivership three dividends were paid, two of 25 and one of 8 per cent. I am now paying a final dividend of 6% per cent."
"Has there ocen much litigation in settling up ?"
"No. Neither Mr. Aidrich nor I has induised in this any more than was absolutely necessary. I think \$25,000 would cover the expense of settling up Mr. Aidrich's fees were. I think, between \$16,000 and \$17,000; my fees will certainly not be more than \$2,000. There is between \$3,000 and \$4,000 yet in my hands belonging to depositors which has not been cafled for. One of the depositors which has not been cafled for. One of the depositors, in particular, an old Catholic priest, I have taken great pains in trying to find. He has about \$200 to his credit, but I have never been able to get any trace of him."

Board of Officers inquiring into the case of Fitz John

Mr. COCKRELL (Dem., Mo.) presented a petition of certain citizens of Missouri and Kansas reciting their citizenship, their desire to settle on lands in the Indian citizenship, their desire to settle on lands in the Indian Territory purchased by the Government, and their stopings by United States troops, and asking for permission to settle of said lands and build up homes there.

Mr. GARLAND (Dem., Ark.) remarked that a bill covering all the points involved was pending in the former committee (the Oxiahoma oil).

Mr. HOAR (Rev., Mass.) presented a petition for a uniform bankrupicy taw. He described the business community of New Encland as in layor of a bankrupicy law substantially like Judge Lowe its proposed bill.

Among the bills introduced and referred were the following:

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On motion of Mr. (VEST Dem., Mo.) the Vice-President
was authorized to fit vaccincies in the Committee on
Cvil Service, and the committee was authorized to send
for persons and opening and employ a stenographer.

Mr. CAMERON (Rep., Penn.) moved to reconsider the
vote by which the 8 mate disagreed to the Hops joint
resolution for the adjournment of Congress from December 22 to Junuary 5.

ber 22 to January 3.

Mr. File Ban (Dem., Onto) was opposed to such an adjournment.

Mr. Boak (Rep., Mass.) thought that Senators who you'd to adjourn for a borse-case could not consistently rouse to vote for adjournment over the Curistian anniversary.

The vote was reconsidered—year, 31; mays, 29—and the resolution was then passed as it came from the House—year, 33; mays, 26.

The Military Academy Appropriation bill was read twice and referred to the Committee on Appropriations. The bull to peak on Maxican solders was made a special order for January S.

The Schate cult by provide for funding the eight percent improvement certificates of the District of Columbia was taken up. 11 anthorizes the issue of fifty-year 3.65 bonds, of date August I. 1874, to refere said cirili percent certificates. This issue is to be the same in all respects as the 3.65 bonds neretorore issued. The certificates amount to \$891,000.

Mr. Allison (Rep., Iowa) moved to amend by making the rate of increas 3 per cent.

The amendment was adopted sud the bill was passed. On motion of Mr. KERNAN (Dear, N. Y.) the House bid authorizing the New York Canadper of Commicce to erect a statue of George Wassington on the front of the Sub-Treasury Bunding was taken up and passed.

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Mr. SAULSBURY (Dem., Deb.) reminded the Senator from Kan. 35 (Mr. Ingalis) that the new States age and received near domations of land for educational purposes. This money had in aim at every instance been used as an education of the decision.

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES. In the House, under the call of States for

By Mr. DUNN (Dem., Ark.)-Providing that the lands in the Indian Territory to which the Indian title has been extinguished, and which are occupied by Indians, are public lands of the United States, and are hereby de clared subject to settlement under the Homestead and Precuption laws. He desired to have it referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Mr. CONGER (Rep., Micb.) moved that it be referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs. It was one of those methods by which it was attempted to give possession of that Territory to white settlers, and it should go to the committee which had charge of the rights of Indians. Mr. Conger's motion was agreed to—yeas 114, nays 68—so the joint resolution was sent to the Committee on Lucian Affairs. clared subject to settlement under the Homestead and

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By Mr. STEPHENS (Dem., Ga.)—Instructing the Committee on Agriculture to investigate the best means of cradicating the difeases of domestic animals.

By Mr. HAMMOND (Dem., Ga.)—Calling on the Secretary of the Interior to inform the House under what authority the registration of trade-marks is permitted and fees for such registration collected, since the Supreme Court decided the law authorizing such registration monosificational.

By Mr. GILLETTE (Dem., Lowa.)—Calling on the Secretary of War for an estimate as to the cost of a stiel rationary from New-York City to Council Bindfs.

By Mr. ELLIS (Dem., La.)—Po abolism the Government directors of the Union Pacitic Raifroad Company.

By THOMAS TURNER (Dem., Kv.)—To preven fraud and corruption in the election of President, Vice-President, Senators and Reprosentatives.

By Mr. FIONE (Rep., Mich.)—Providing for double or return postal cards.

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By Mr. COVERT (Dem., N. Y.), at the request of Mr. CoVERT (Dem., N. Y.), at the request of Mr. Cov. (N. Y.), tar following buls: Relative to the compensation of United States Judicia: officers in the State of New-York; relative to reducing the tariff on foreign earthenware; in regard to the acceptance of decorations are the state of the state By Mr. TOWNSEND (Rep., Ohio) - In regard to consul

by Mr. COFFROTH (Dem., Penn.)—To regulate the positiment of cadets to the Military and Naval Academies.
By Mr. MORTON (Rep., N. Y.)—For the repeal of the tax on bank caceks and bank deposits.
The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill was then taken up and passed.
Mr. CALKINS (Rep., Ind.), from the Committee on Elections, submitted a majority report upon the contested election case of Boyaton against Lorinz, from the Vim District of Massachusetts, declaring G. B. Loring entitled to retain his seat, and it was laid over for further action.

Mr. WEAVER (Gbk... Iowa) stated that he would file a minority report.

Mr. FERNANDO WOOD (Dem., N. Y) gave notice that ne would to-morrow call up the Funding Bill.

Mr. PRICE (Rep., Iowa), under the direction of the Committee on Banking and Currency, moved to suspend the rules, take from the cslendar and pass the bill providing that from and after the passage of this act no stamp shall be necessary on any bank check.

Mr. MILLS (Dem., Texas) opposed the bill. The object of clandesinely smuggling the present bill through the House under a suspension of the rules was to prevent an amendment which would take away from monopolists some of the ill-gotten gains which legislative roobery gave them.

Mr. BUCKNER (Dem., Mo.) favored the bill. It would benefit everybody that kept his money in a bank. In answer to an inquiry as to what smount of revenue was raised annually by this tax, Mr. Buckner replied that his recollection was that the amount raised last year was about \$1.700.000.

Mr. HAWLEY (Rep., Conn.) said that, as a protectionist—as one who believed absolutely in the practical wisdom of protection—he desired a revision of the tariff.

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Mr. PRICE—Have you forgotten that the poor man who checks out \$1 000 only pays 2 cents and the rich man who checks out \$1,000 only pays 2 cents 1
Mr. WARNER—Inter tax is not merely on the checks of individuals but on the checks of banks.
Mr. WEAVER (Gbk., Iowa) opposed the bill.
Mr. SPRINGER (Dem., Ill.) favored the bill.
The motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill was rejected.—Yeas, 129; pays, 68; not the necessary twe-thirds in the affirmative.
The SPEAKER announced the appointment of Messrs.
Wellborn, Scoville and Brown as visitors to the Naval Academy.

Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, moved to auspend the rules and pass the bill authors agethe Postmaster-General to readjust the salaries of certain postmasters. This bill, involving of lime to the amount of \$500,000, was op.osed, and on seconding the demand for suspending the rules, no quorum voted.

The House then, at 4:20, adjourned.

WORK OF COMMITTEES.

Washington, Dec. 20 .- The House Commitce on Commerce was engaged to-day upon the River and Harbor bid, and the sub-committee of the Approprintions Committee upon the Army Appropriation bill. This bill will be reported to the full committee to-mor-row, and will probably be reported to the House after the reading of the journal. The amount recommended a somewhat larger than last year, aggregating about

\$30,000,000. The Senate Judiciary Committee to-day took up the The Senate Judiciary Committee to-day took up the nomination of Judge Woods to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, but laid it over, together with a number of other nominations, for further consideration, Several memorials from Seathern Bar Associations strongly favoring Judge Woods's confirmation were received by the committee this morning, and the indications gathered from remarks made by members of the committee to-day are that the nomination will be reported favorably, and confirmed without much opposition.

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The Joint Select Committee on the subject of providing aridimenal accomments long for the Congressional Library decided today, by a vote of 5 against 1, to recommend Juriciary Square as the site for the proposed

commend Juriciary Square as the site for the proposed new building.

The Seffate Select Committee on Transportation Routes to the Seaboard to-day neard Robert A. Fisher, a delegate from the Batthore Board of Traos, John S. Middleton, representing the Corn and Flour Exchange, and Messrs. William K. ser and S. P. Thompson, also of Ealthorer, in advotacy of the Cheptank route for the proposed sing canal between Chesapeake and Delaware Bays.

Hays.

The House Committee on Counage, Weights and Measures, after a conference with Mr. Burenard, Director of the Mint, antorized the charman to report favorably to the House his oil amending Section 3.524 of the Revised Statutes. This section authorizes the Mints of the United States to make a charge "for meiting and refluing when bullion is below standard," and Representative Stephenes's amendment antherizes a like charge for meiting or refluing militon whether below standard or tot.

The House Committee on Public Lands refused to-day, by a vote of 4 to 2, to make a favorable report upon the Senate bill " To Equal ze Homesteads."

Washington, Dec. 20 .- The Senate in ex-

unive session to-day confirmed the following nomina-House:
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tharmon. James Monroe, of Michigan, to be United States
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thar half for the Western District of Michigan
the H. H. Turner, of Texas, to be United States District Judge
or the Western District of Texas.
T. N. Smithel, Collector of Customs for the District of
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Lalay tie McLaws, Postmaster at savannah, Ga. CONWAY AT GRAVELOTTE.

MIL THOMAS B. MUSGRAVE SECALLS A DAY SPENT WITH MR. CONWAY AT THE BATTLEFIELD-PROOF THAT THE THIBUNE'S CORRESPONDENT DID NOT SEND HIS ACCOUNT OF THE BATTLE FROM LONDON.

Talke Editor of The Tribune. Sir: The controversy between Mr. Murat Hal-stead, of The Cincinnati Commercial, and Mr. Archibald Forbes is interesting to me, and perhaps the following statement may clearly explain where Mr. Conway was during and the day after the battle of D. Conway, your correspondent, and as we passed through the little village of Gorrs, near the battlefield, we called at the house where Mr. and Mrs. Heistead tried to sleep the night before and the night of the battle; but, as he informed me, the eries of the wounded placed in the house were so the house, who was very kind and whose face was one that she had never recovered from it, and we found her bedridden. She remarked to Mr. Conway as we entered the room; "You have come back to see me in better times, as I wished you to do when you went

hill, and Mr. Conway pointed out to me the spot where stood, during the battle, King William, Eismarck and Von Moltke, Here was a monument to those who fell for "God and Fatherwas deposited with the States then existing, subject to call by the Government, it was a call bean. Subsequently the quality of a call bean Subsequently the quality of the called loan was taken from it by an act of Congress to the cheet that the money should never be called for except by an act of Congress, and on the sales had been described in the showledge of the Government was estopped trom claiming the money to various purposes on the assumption, that it was considered as a gift.

M. ELAINE (Rep., Me.) regarded the act of 183d as a great folly. To recall the money how would be might always a great folly. To recall the money how would be might as a chizen of Maine at the interpretation. The Senator from Oregon (Mr. Grover) would be called upon to return the share he got as a chizen of Maine, in which State the money was foolishly divided per capita among the population. Mr. BHURMAN said that if the theory prevailed that no generation should impose debt on a future generation, he was anxious to know when the present public debt of \$2,000,000,000,000 was to be paid. Such a doctrine was not a citizen of the saire.

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THE COURTS.

Supreme Court—Chambers—By Judge Donohue,— lark sgt. Clark,—Monon denied with costs. Fathing sgt. Inrin.—Morbos granted; see monorandum; to be settled on otice. The Telegraph Consolidated Munic to be settled on DECISIONS-DEC. 20. 

cats to abide the event; opinion by Russell, J.

By Judges Spier and Russell.—Mairs et al. agt. the Manhat tan Real Estante Association.—Judgment affirmed with costs; opinion by Russell, J.

By Judges Fredman and Russell.—Newhall agt. Appleton et al.—Order denying mow trial on minutes reversed with costs to abide the event; order granting new trial on ground of new trial for surprise reversed with costs to abide the event; order granting new trial on ground of newly alsocy red evidence affirmed with costs to abide the event; outston by Russell, J.

Succial Term.—By Chief-Instice, Sedgwicz.—Fargis agt. Watton et al.—Motion denied with so costs of motion. Harding the second trial and before trial, and \$5 costs of motion. Harding the second trial and before trial, and \$5 costs of this motion. In the matter of Gall sp.—Order granting leave to suce etc. Fullong agt. Gale et al.; Ma Gilliagt. Hascedon.—Orders signed Plates et al. agt. Flannelly et al., Van Gilder agt. Lewis et al.—Index of discontinuance. Deane agt. Kipp.—Order alsmissing planning complaint with \$10 costs. Hendricks agt. Dunne: Brickman agt. Schwind; Brown agt. the Kings Mountain Minnig Company.—Orders granted. Thorp.—Case ordered on tile. Fargis agt. Walton et al.—Order denying motion to discontinue without costs. Galines agt. Thorp.—Case ordered on tile. Fargis agt. Walton et al.—Order denying motion to discontinue without costs. Galines agt. Thorp.—Case ordered on tile. Fargis agt. Walton et al.—Order denying motion to discontinue without costs. Galines agt. Thorp.—Case ordered on the Fargis agt. Walton et al.—Order denying motion to discontinue without costs. Galines agt. Thorp.—Case ordered on the Fargis agt. Walton et al.—Order denying motion to discontinue without costs.

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UNITED STATES SUPREME COURT. WASHINGTON, Dec. 20 .- The following business who transacted by the Supreme Court of the United

Decisions - No. 114. - Catharine Hail et al., appellants, agt William H. Law. - The decree of the lower Court is affirmed So. 124.—The United States appellant, agt. Fraxon D. Berton's er cutors.—Decree affirmed.
No. 31.—James Desembre et al., appellants, agt. Whitham Scholeid et al.—Thes Courts affirms the decree of the art helps.

No. 1.11.—James December et al., appellants, act. Whilland. C. Scholield et al.—This Court saffirms the decree of take Court below.

No. 8.59.—The United States ex rel. the Citizens Bank of Louisiana, riantiff in error, agt. John J. Knox, Confroller of Louisiana, riantiff in error, agt. John J. Knox, Confroller of the arrivery; in error is the Subreme Court of the District of Commons. The question presented by this case is whether an insymbian sharemed her of an insulvational back can be compelled to pay more than his full proportionary amazon incoming the manufacture of the court of the december of the bank's limiting in order to make could the dedicember caused by the mability of other stockholders to pay their properties and holds:

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No. 48.—The vew-Gricons, Mobile and Texas Railroad Company, appellant, agt. Henry Ellerman.—Resubmitzed on printed trices.
No. 548.—Joseph S. Samsune Carnin. a positant, agt. Jos. Hernandere et al.—submitted on printed briefs.

THE COURT OF APPEALS. ALBANY, Dec. 20 .- In the Court of Appeals

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No. 15.—The Poople ex rel, the New-York Central at Hadson 15.74 Hadroad Company, appellants, etc. the Lockport and Buffalo far front Company, respondents.—App at discussion of the Company of the 21. and Lamaio Laurent Communication of the Manager of ONOS. No. 97. - Warren S. Silleonis und another, ab ellants, arti-ne Mayor, etc., of New York respondent. - Appeal dismissed oher Eule 21. No. 190. The Murnal Life insurance Company, etc., fe-contents, art. Thomas A. Davies, appellant, -Appeal dis-No. 100. The Muthal lab lates, appellath. Appear asymised under the 2. Moo'r and another, supellants, azt. No. 15 .- Horace J. Moo'r and another, supellants, azt. Addie Dume Froland, administratia, respondent.—Abusal dismissed under the 21. Moo'r loss—in te Warerby Water Works Company, respondent, to sequire Bands of William W. Shopard.—Appeal unismissed under Rue 21. No. 23. The S. Van Benesaler Cruzer, appellant, to valente, etc.—Appeal dismissed under Rue 21. No. 23. — dilate Butler Dumear and others, superlants, act. Mafrared W. Brensan, executrix, etc., respondent , argued by william of Mactariand for appellants and A. J. Vangued for personal line.

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